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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Realities of Racism

To the Editor:

In his article, "Rationalizing Racism," January 19, 1993, Rick Hernandez makes interesting arguments regarding race relations. It is his assertion that color has unfortunately become the defining factor for people in American society, rather than the content of their individual character or the worth of their deeds. He further asserts that this leads many "minority" leaders to espouse racist proposals which harm the majority and the minority with deadly set-aside programs. Finally, with a note of personal concern, he agonizes over the steady loss of individuality among minorities.

In this commentary, I will disagree with Mr. Hernandez, but less as a reaction to his views, than more of a balanced perspective on the issue of race. In 1993, race is a complex issue, one more of ethnicity and class than skin color. However, the issue often boils down to just that -- skin color, black or white, African or European. Racial relations in reality mean relations between blacks and whites. This commentary will deal with this relationship, for from this nexus, majority (i.e. white) American society has often compared and separated other ethnic groups. Therefore, under Mr. Hernandez's rubric, minority extremists are better read as "black extremists". (If you doubt this, I ask the reader to name five Asian extremists.) Race baiting is truly the legacy of terms such as black welfare queens, Jesse Helms affirmative action television ads and everyone's friend (or fear) Willie Horton.

First, Mr. Hernandez argues that black leaders use the hierarchy of skin color and racism for their own benefit and subscribe to the idea that skin color ultimately defines a person. Deeper analysis reveals that culture, not color, defines a person. However, in American society, plagued by its continuing legacy of racism, culture runs parallel to color. If the majority of white society failed to subscribe, actively and passively to the concept of white supremacy, perhaps everyone could fulfill Martin Luther King Jr.'s dream. Rather, we are left with the reality that Africans in the Americas have coalesced as a racial group, and therefore developed their own culture (hence African-American culture). Regular reminders of a color caste system continue. Whether the reminders take the form of *California v. Powell* (the Rodney King verdict), or sports commentators fixation with black athletes abilities rather than their work ethic, the reminders persist. However, Mr. Hernandez (apparently) subscribes to an unbelievable concept that Africans, or Asians, or members of Hispanic backgrounds create such a system for their own benefit. The full realization of King's dream was up to

the power brokers in government, law, science, and business. Today, thirty years after King's speech, few power brokers either made changes, or look any different than their 1963 counterparts.

Second, Mr. Hernandez clouds the definition of racism by attacking the "power plus prejudice equals racism" equation. He implies that every person has racist potential and the greatest perpetrators are "black extremists". Although everyone has racist potential, Mr. Hernandez (again) fails to deal in reality. The power plus prejudice argument was recently supported in Andrew Hacker's *Separate and Unequal*. For example, what difference does it make, outside of a person's relationship with a higher spiritual entity, if an unemployed black parolee doesn't like white people just for the fact they are white? The parolee is prejudiced, no doubt, but what effect does he have on others? He has no influence on anyone receiving resources or employment. The belief is to his own detriment. However, if the prejudiced person has control over employment, community development dollars, and the images society absorbs in television, books, religion, and mass media, the prejudice is simultaneously individual and systemic. Both sources of prejudice are wrong and should cease. The racism rears its head where all aspects of a system devalue a person, such as when blacks (and other ethnic groups) feel they are less worthy because they are non-white. Individuality is lost. The individuality is not stymied by those minority groups as much as it is by the general society.

Clarence Thomas (now Justice Thomas) suffered criticism from many African-Americans for his adherence to the Republican party's New Right philosophy and his opposition to affirmative action. Thomas supporters cried, "Why don't you let him just be Clarence, rather than a black man?" However, the second week of his confirmation hearings saw Clarence sitting as just another black man on a soap opera, complete with the stereotypical supercharged sexual proclivities. I doubt if Clarence recognized this fact. Whether he did or not, the myths quoted in opinion polls and discussions were not created by "black extremists." Racism created them. The belief that blacks should support certain programs or concepts is less based on racism, than based on whether a program is best for one's cultural needs. The fact the cultural needs parallel skin color is due to the legacy of American racism, not the conscious efforts of "black extremists."

The discussion of affirmative action and bilingual education are therefore better understood as reactions to a either a racist environment or a English speaking society, respectfully. The pur-

poses of both are access to power and control. If parents endorse bilingual education, it is so their children may better understand America in a language they understand, rather than have them struggle through elementary classes. Bilingual education means access. Is Mr. Hernandez stating these children should be denied access in "the land of opportunity" simply because they were raised in a household of Spanish speaking persons?

Affirmative action means access to resources for minority groups. It does not mean admitting or employing "unqualified persons." For one to believe the general pool is unqualified smacks of a belief that most minorities are inherently unqualified. Affirmative action recognizes that racist tendencies still pervade employment education, financing, and business. It forces those who would normally only consider white male candidates as qualified to broaden their scope and recognize others' achievements. In truth, most (not all) white male concerns over affirmative action is the entrance into their once exclusive (but unfairly created) ranks of non-white and non-male persons. Affirmative action means

access to power. The supposed harm done to minorities from affirmative action is responsible for the growth of a black middle class over the last twenty years. Does Mr. Hernandez feel this access to power and resources is not warranted? Does he feel people who disagree with the racial trends of the past 12 years, which resemble the general racial trends of the past 200 years, don't deserve access?

What does this commentary really mean? It means until whites who despise racism feel it threatens their well being directly, it won't go away. Because whites usually benefit from racism, it's permanent for our lifetimes. For Mr. Hernandez, and other minorities who agree with him, it means continued praise for their criticism of the general policies of minorities. His individuality is maintained. Let's just hope the police don't stop him; he may lose his individuality quicker than he expects. For African-Americans, racism will probably always be present in American society, but then again, that never stopped us before, and unless we allow it to occur, it won't stop us now.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

NLC's Positive Points

To the Editor:

I am writing regarding the NLC Administration and Ms. Hesse's letter of concern from the January 19 edition. I think it is important that differing student viewpoints are expressed in order to get a balanced perspective.

I have not experienced the discontent with the NLC Administration that Ms. Hesse has expressed. In fact, I believe that the NLC administration represents hard working and talented professionals who are genuinely concerned with the welfare of the student body. From the day that I received my acceptance letter in February of 1990 through the financial aid process, enrollment in the Mentor Program, and a multitude of other administrative matters, I have experienced nothing but efficiency and kindness.

I understand Ms. Hesse's concern with the furniture and the computers. I have spent time in the computer room trying to print my outlines and moot court briefs as well. However, I come from the perspective that the furniture, computers, and the mailfolders should not be our main concerns. To me, the very fact that those kinds of concerns are raised indicate that the administration is doing a good job at fulfilling the law students' more important needs.

One of the important needs of the law students is the availability of skilled

and talented professors. The NLC administration has done a commendable job in bringing some of the most talented and intellectually inspiring professors in the legal arena to our law school. Law professors are an important aspect of our law school education because the professors touch our minds and they help develop our legal skills. In many respects, there is truth in the proverb that the students can only become as good as their teachers. Several professors here have inspired me to become the best lawyer I can possibly be.

Another important aspect to our legal education is having a range of class selection. Having a wide array of classes is important to our development because, as far as possible, we should be exposed to as many areas of law that interest us while we are in school. Every semester, I have had to make difficult choices in course selection because there were so many classes which were of interest to me. Granted, I have been bumped from a class or two, but upon entering my last semester, I have never lost an opportunity to enroll in a particular class with the particular professor of my choice.

I have also seen the NLC administration's willingness to offer a class if students display an interest and an appropriate professor is available. For example, the Law of Japan class was made

available to us in a matter of two to three months notice after the administration was approached about offering the class.

Also, the NLC administration was very enthusiastic about responding to the students' concerns about the grading system. Our grading system is different from other law schools, and it possibly puts the NLC students at a disadvantage when applying for jobs. The administration put together a committee of professors and other administrative personnel who spent a lot of time and energy to come up with the revised grading system. We were all disappointed to find out that the new computer system bought by the GWU administration cannot handle the changes.

My point is that I am starting to see a division between my fellow students and the NLC administration. I sense that Ms. Hesse's letter is an expression of frustration shared by many law students. I believe that the source of the frustration is not necessarily the NLC administration. The three-hour wait at the student accounts payment office and the unavailability of computers and printers at moments of need are at times intolerable. However, those problems are directly related to the GWU administration. I think we should keep in mind that the NLC administration is not the same as the GWU administration.

My view is that the NLC administration is in a very difficult position because they differ in their administrative philosophy with the GWU administration. The tenures that the NLC administration has approved and other NLC administrative efforts have been frustrat-

ed due to the GWU and NLC administrative differences. In fact, we should be appreciative that the our law school administration has handled the tension between themselves and the GWU administration as well as they have. Otherwise, the GWU administration could be even more uncooperative and possibly irascible in dealing with our requests. For example, the revised grading system may have been rejected completely instead of being postponed for a year.

I offer my viewpoint because I do care about the NLC. I think there is a miscommunication between the NLC administration and some of the students. I want to communicate to my fellow students that I believe strongly that the NLC administration is with us. They are on our side. They know what the law students' important needs are and they are trying very hard, considering the circumstances they are in, to fulfill those needs.

It is not a good situation for our law school to have divisions among us. We should all be working together as a family to make our law school substantively better than the year before, and to help each other grow as individuals intellectually and professionally. The NLC administration needs support and guidance from us as students; not criticism. I try to stay in personal contact with the NLC administration with my concerns and I also let them know when I think they have done a good job. I hope you do too.

Emma P. Nakakuki
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LAW SCHOOL NEWS

CDO Tips for the Spring Semester Job Search

by Nancy A. Saltsman
Director of Career Development

For many students, as the new semester begins, so does the job search. First year students are beginning to experience the reality of job searching during the recession; second and third year students are either continuing their search from the fall or are beginning to start the process. Outlined in this article are 10 Job Search Tips. The Career Development Office is here to support your job search in many different ways. Please let us know if you are still looking -- leave a resume on file with us; from time-to-time we hear of employers with openings, and we will call students whom we know are looking. Meet with one of the counselors to help define or refine your goals, and please ask for any type of advice or assistance. There are jobs out there, but they take a lot of effort to find. Students of all years have received, and are still receiving, offers. Employers are hiring, but they are hiring fewer people, and they are taking time to make sure that the fit is a good one; call backs and second interviews have turned into third and fourth round interviews; references are checked back to what seems like grade school; employers ask for information such as LSAT scores, etc. Some employers who normally hired students well in advance of the summer are waiting until later in the spring semester to determine their needs. When not sure of hiring needs, or the number of students/graduates to hire, employers seem to be putting people "on hold" and not informing them of a definite hiring decision. Small firms and gov-

ernment agencies have received more applications than ever before, making those options more competitive than ever.

The spring job search is a bit different from that of the fall. Most larger firms have completed their hiring, but in some cases it is worth checking back with them since rumor has it that some of these employers did not meet their goals. Many government agencies, small and medium firms, public interest organizations and corporations, to name a few types of employers, have always hired, and will always hire, in the spring closer to the end of the academic year. The frustration with small and medium firm employers is that they are on no set schedule, and applicants must contact them to see if and when and who they are hiring. It is difficult to pull these employers together into an interviewing program as they all hire on their own schedule and hire when they have a need; they also hire fewer people at one time so they do not need to participate in a formal interviewing program.

The positive news is that there are jobs out there...the depressing part is that they are difficult to find. The job search must be aggressive and job seekers must be persistent. It is difficult to keep up one's spirits, and we here in the CDO have gotten very good at cheerleading and lending a shoulder on which to cry. Please feel free to come to us to vent your frustrations and for assistance in getting back into the search.

The Number 1 Job Search Tip is: do

not give up. The absolute worst thing to do is to get discouraged and quit. Please continue the search; once you stop you have to start from the beginning again. Develop a network (Number 2 Tip) and let everybody know you are looking. Networking is absolutely the best way to find a job in any economy, especially now. The CDO has scheduled a Networking and Informational Interviewing Workshop for February 17th. After developing a network, you must follow up (Number 3); once you make a contact, keep in touch. If you send out a resume or application and do not receive a response within 2 weeks, follow up to check on the status of your resume. This leads to Number 4 which is keep good records. Make sure you record to whom you have applied and whether or not they respond. If they tell you that they do not anticipate making a hiring decision until April, make a note to call them on April 1st. Conduct informational interviews (Number 5). Informational interviews can be very helpful, particularly for 1L students. If you want to know exactly what the Court of Military Appeals does, call and set up an informational interview with one of the clerks. After the informational interview follow up with a thank you note. That person will then become part of your network. Be creative (Number 6) and try to come up with something a bit different. Washington, DC, offers a lot of options, especially for the student who is not necessarily interested in the traditional practice. There are resources in the CDO library which will identify Trade

Associations, Public Defender's Offices, Labor Unions, Educational Institutions, etc. Set clear goals (Number 7) and have an action plan (Number 8). You must do some self assessment and have an idea of what you might want to do, or at least know what you do not want to do. It is not necessary to have an exact idea but have a goal or goals in mind and think about how you want to accomplish that/those goals. Although this might sound like a contradiction, tip Number 9 is to broaden your scope. Many students have too narrow a goal or an unrealistic goal. The student who wants to practice real estate law for a large firm in DC who is in the bottom of his/her class is being a bit unrealistic. It is all right to try but that student will need to decide which is more important, real estate law, large firm practice or DC, and then perhaps look for a large firm position in a less competitive town or be flexible in the area of law s/he wishes to practice. Although it might sound trite, tip Number 10 is to keep a positive attitude. A person who has a negative and defeatist attitude will find the search that much more difficult. We have seen many frustrated students. While you have the right to be discouraged, do not let it keep you down. The student with the positive attitude projects a more positive image, and it certainly gives one the edge in an interview situation.

Please come to the CDO, Burns 303, if you need any help with your job search. We have many workshops and programs planned for the spring semester.

L.A.W. Honors Belva Lockwood

by Jill Westmoreland

The Law Association for Women's most ambitious project each year is planning and conducting Belva Lockwood Week. Belva Lockwood graduated from the National Law Center in 1870 and was the first woman to argue before the Supreme Court. This year L.A.W. commemorates her achievements by scheduling speakers, sponsoring a brown bag lunch, hosting an alumnae awards reception, and publishing *The Women's Review*, a collection of essays and stories by and about women and the law, during the week of February 4 - 11.

To kick off Belva Lockwood week, L.A.W. is hosting its first Annual Alumnae Award reception; L.A.W. will present awards to four female NLC graduates who have made significant contributions as women in the legal profession. The recipients will be The

Honorable Rosalyn B. Bell, The Honorable Barbara M. Keenan, Susan M. Hoffman, and Jeanette A. Michael. The reception will be Thursday, February 4 at 5:15, and all members of the NLC community are invited to attend.

L.A.W. has chosen two white women who are both prominent members of the pro-choice movement as speakers. Kate Michaelman, Executive Director of the National Abortion Rights Action League, will speak on Tuesday, February 9 at 4:15. Sarah Weddington, who argued *Roe v. Wade* before the Supreme Court in 1972, will speak on Thursday, February 11 at 4:15 (rooms to be announced).

L.A.W. is also sponsoring a brown bag lunch discussion with Professor Stephanie Ridder on Wednesday, February 10 at 12:00 noon. Prof. Ridder's topic will be "An Introduction to Feminist Jurisprudence."

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STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

SBA Update

Proposed Move to the Marvin Center
In an effort to create space for six new faculty members and seminar rooms, most of the law student organizations will be relocated to The Marvin Center. According to present plans, student groups will be placed in the space currently occupied by *The Hatchet*. Since receiving notification of the administrative decision on Friday, January 22nd, the SBA has been working to negotiate space and supplies for the groups. Student groups were officially notified at the ICC meeting on Thursday, January 28th, and received a memorandum from Dean Friedenthal to this effect. While the news of the proposed move comes as a shock to us, we do recognize that there are some significant advantages to the relocation. Although less convenient than the

current offices, the proposed space is much larger and will provide greater privacy for each group. In addition, law students will be utilizing space for which we pay a user fee.

We will do our best to assist you in the relocation endeavor. Although no specific date has been set for the move, we do not anticipate that any changes will take place before the summer. We will keep you abreast of developments as they arise, so groups should be sure to check their student boxes on the fourth floor.

Barrister's Ball

Only a few days are left--have you bought your ticket to the Barrister's Ball? Don't be left out of the fun! More than half of the tickets have been sold! Buy your ticket today!

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the Meridian House, 1630 Crescent Place (off 16th Street, just north of Dupont Circle) from 8 until midnight on Saturday, February 6th. Tickets are 25\$ each. There will be an open bar, hot and cold food, and a DJ all night.

Black tie is optional. The SBA is selling tickets from 11-2 and 5-7 in the lounge, every school day until February 3rd. There is no requirement for a date, last year many people went in groups and everyone had a raucous time.

Booksale

The Booksale is over. Persons who have sold books may pick up their checks in the SBA office. Unclaimed books will be donated to the POPS program.

Race Relations Round Tables

The SBA will be sponsoring a series of

discussions centering around race relations. Several students had enlisted our help in creating a forum for small group conversations. We encourage all interested students to participate. The discussions will take place in small classrooms, once a week. Each group will be limited in size to roughly ten to fifteen students to help facilitate discussion.

If you are interested in participating, please complete the sign up sheet in your folder and drop it in the SBA box located in the lounge.

Law School Preview Day

Dean Durand is currently organizing the pre-orientation day for accepted students. Law School Preview Day will be held on Friday, April 2nd. Interested students are asked to volunteer to serve as tour guides and hosts/hostesses. Student groups will have an opportunity to meet with prospective students in the afternoon. Any organization that would like to sponsor an activity for the evening is welcome to do so. Be sure to check your folders for further information with all of the particulars. The success of Law School Preview Day depends largely on the degree of student involvement. We encourage all students to participate.

SBA Elections

Elections for SBA President, Vice President and Class Representatives will take place on Wednesday, February 3rd. GET OUT and VOTE!

In closing---

As our administration comes to an end, we close with a few parting words:

To the outgoing SBA Board, we thank you for your cooperation, dedication and support. We especially appreciate the numerous hours sacrificed doing many thankless jobs that have made all of our lives a little bit better. To the incoming Board, we wish the best of luck. Progress is slow but not impossible.

To the Student Body, we ask that you continue to support your student bar. We are all students, and true, school should be our first priority, but remember, apathy gets us nowhere. The success and failure of the SBA and its programs depends largely on you.

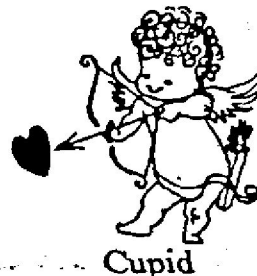
We have enjoyed serving the NLC community as President and Vice President and have been proud to represent our school both locally and nationally.

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LAW SCHOOL NEWS

Student Found Free from
Conflicts of Interest

Prof. Turley Calls DOJ's Motive Retalitory

by Lee Hoffman

A National Law Center student has been found to be free from any conflicts of interest between his work on the NLC's Environmental Crimes Project and his internship at the Department of Justice according to Professor Jonathan Turley.

The situation was brought to national prominence when Deputy Assistant Attorney General Myles Flint called on the NLC last December to investigate the student after he participated in the production of a report critical of Justice's handling of the prosecution of environmental crimes. That report was prepared at the behest of Representative Charles E. Schumer (D-N.Y.) by the NLC's environmental crimes project which Turley directs. The *Legal Times* printed a story regarding Flint's accusations soon afterwards.

Turley has characterized the accusations as being "completely baseless" and attributes them as retaliations for criticizing the Justice Department. When Flint demanded that the accusations be investigated by the school and further suggested that the entire internship program at Justice was in jeopardy, Dean Jack Friedenthal promptly looked into the allegations, Turley said. "Dean Friedenthal informed Mr. Flint that he found no evidence of a conflict of interest and further called upon Mr. Flint to make a public apology to the student," Turley said.

Turley believes that Flint's call for an investigation is based less in worries about conflict of interest than it is a reaction to critics of the Justice Department. To bolster his argument, Turley pointed out that, "Before the letter arrived at the university at least one reporter was aware of its issuance by Mr. Flint. The fact that at least one reporter knew of this letter before it ever arrived at the law school indicates that the intention of the letter was something other than getting a reply or some investigation. I think it is abundantly clear to most everyone that the purposes of these charges was to retaliate against critics of the Department of Justice."

Turley also noted that on the same day that charges were leveled at one of his students, the Department of Justice also announced that it would be investigating the circumstances surrounding the Rocky Flats case. In that case, Turley is representing pro bono 12 grand jurors who wish to go public with information they heard from federal prosecutors regarding possible environmental violations at the Rocky Flats nuclear weapons plant operated by Rockwell

International. The government entered into a plea agreement with Rockwell in which Rockwell agreed to plead guilty and pay \$18.5 million in fines. Turley has referred to the Justice Department's treatment of those who disagree with the Justice Department's handling of such cases, particularly the attack against his student as Justice's "scorched earth approach to its critics."

Schumer and several other members of Congress have commissioned reports inquiring into Justice's prosecution of environmental crimes since according to Turley the Justice Department hasn't been giving Congress the information necessary for oversight. Schumer commissioned the NLC's Environmental Crimes Project to do his report given Turley's experience in the area of environmental crimes (he has testified before the House Judiciary Committee regarding environmental crimes and is currently assisting with the Environmental Crimes Advisory Group's draft of the proposed sentencing guidelines for corporations found guilty of environmental crimes) as well as the fact that the NLC's project is the only project of its kind in the country which deals exclusively with environmental crimes.

"The Department of Justice had refused over the previous three years to allow line prosecutors and investigators to speak to Congress over their concerns with the lack of enforcement of environmental laws," Turley said. The Schumer report provided a conduit with which those prosecutors could speak to Congress. After the Environmental Crimes Project presented its report to Schumer, Schumer's staff spent two weeks confirming the sources used within. Although two other similar reports reaching similar conclusions have been presented, the Schumer report is the only one which has used input from those within the Justice Department to criticize the department. That information, coming from Justice's own employees is what is particularly damaging Turley said.

In order to insure that no members of his project are subject to any conflict of interests, Turley requires that each member of the project go through a comprehensive conflicts evaluation to determine any possible conflict with any governmental agency or corporation. "In the case of the Schumer report, we paid extraordinary attention to possible conflicts. We went well beyond the requirements of the bar or the Department of Justice itself in sanitizing our students from any possible conflicts," Turley said.

MOOT COURT DIRECTORY

by David Kahn
Publications Chair

In 1984, the Moot Court Board decided to publish a directory which would list all the interscholastic moot court competitions in the country. Starting from scratch, the plan was ambitious. The Board published the 1984-1985 edition of the *Directory of Interscholastic Moot Court Competitions* in pamphlet form. In their own words, they published the *Directory* to make "moot court organizations aware of the competitions which exist across the nation" and thereby achieve the goal of promoting the development of written and oral advocacy skills. The *Directory* listed 24 competitions and provided information regarding topics, dates, locations, fees, and general descriptions of the tournaments. Unfortunately, only ten schools placed orders, and the following year the project was dropped.

In 1989, the Board decided to try again. This time they listed 26 competitions which they organized by topic. They added information including team sizes, entry deadlines, and competition formats. Most importantly, they had the *Directory* professionally printed in a perfect bound law review style.

The Moot Court Board has been publishing the *Directory* annually ever since. Last October we published our fifth edition. But unlike that first year, we currently have a circulation that reaches more than 110 of the 175 accredited law schools.


The *Directory* is the only national publication of its kind. Moot court

boards across the country use the *Directory* to plan which competitions to attend. In fact, we receive several phone calls from schools anxious to get the information in September and October before the book is in print. Not only do schools rely on the information, but many schools starting new competitions write or call us to ensure that their competition will be included.

Not content to stand still, we continue to improve the *Directory* each year. For the 1992-1993 edition we listed 44 competitions, and we added information regarding the previous year's competition winners and competition team limits. We also included an essay by Judge Paul Michel of the Federal Circuit about techniques of appellate advocacy. Finally, we renamed the publication from the *Directory of Interscholastic Moot Court Competitions* to the *George Washington Moot Court Directory*.


Besides being an invaluable planning tool for moot court boards, the *Directory* makes for interesting reading. Tulane Law School plans their sports law tournament to coincide with Mardi Gras. Nova University sponsors a competition where F. Lee Bailey individually coaches each team. And the universities of Florida and Georgia have their own closed competition where the entry fee is paying for lunch before the football game.

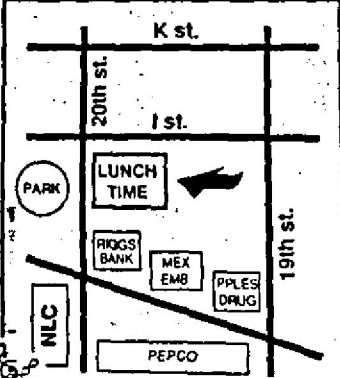
If you are interested in reading the *Directory* to learn more about interscholastic competitions, the library has several copies on reserve.



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COMMENTARY

Student Government

by Brad Gordon

It's that time again: the whole campus is gearing up for student government elections. At the law school this Wednesday, the Student Bar Association elections will produce much-needed change in that organization and, with any luck, some pro-active student leaders who will set about making progress on issues of concern to NLC students. Then early next month the Student Association, the umbrella student government organization for the entire University, will hold its much more publicized and rancorous election process. Hoping for change in GW student politics takes a good degree of faith, but one never knows what might happen if folks stopped pointing fingers and started joining hands.

FOR THE RECORD

A word on both the SBA and the SA, and then I'll bring you up to date on happenings within the organizations. Of primary importance to NLC students is the SBA. This group of committed student leaders has the potential of overseeing constructive change in many areas which affect the typical law student. Or, in the alternative and as has seemingly been the case in the past school year, the SBA can get entangled in personality conflicts and accomplish very little.

In candor, I must admit that my relationship with the SBA since last winter's elections, when I lost my bid for SBA president, has not been altogether positive. I attempted to stay

involved and share my experience with the new leadership, but a squabble over a funding issue with the Student Association, where I serve as Graduate Senator At-Large, effectively terminated my involvement with the SBA.

So my first-hand knowledge of the goings-on in the SBA is limited. I only know what I have heard: that the leadership has not been able to work together effectively, and that the three women in charge, each with strong personalities, have divvied up the responsibilities, done their jobs on their own and avoided much positive interaction. I have talked with SBA board members who show a marked disappointment over the lack of unity and purpose in this past year's board. And I have observed from the perspective of a regular law student, waiting for notable accomplishments or some evidence that I have a representative student government to serve as my voice in the Dean's office and at Rice Hall. What I have seen are a couple of brown-bag lunches, with topics along the lines of "Should aberrant sexual behaviors qualify students as minorities?" How helpful.

But I remember the progress that can be made in the SBA and the successes which can be achieved under the aegis of a responsive student government. And I have not lost hope that the student who runs for SBA president this year will, if elected, realize his full potential and leave a mark at the National Law Center which can be recognized by students who matriculate when the '93-'94 president returns to the school to celebrate his tenth class reunion. I know personally the three candidates for president: Sean Johnson, Ben Larkin and David Levine. All three students

are talented and committed; any would be effective in the office. If one of them is elected with a vice president and treasurer with whom he can work in harmony, the SBA board can achieve more in one term than it has in my entire six semesters at the NLC. I wish all of the candidates the best of luck and pledge my support in my remaining few months as a law student.

The Student Association, the student government for all of the 17,000 or so students at GW, has much less direct impact on the NLC student body than does the SBA. But the SA serves an

important purpose in bringing together the various elements which make up GW's vibrant student population. The SA controls hundreds of thousands of dollars of student money, which can be used responsibly or spent wantonly. Like any student government organization, the SA can and has gotten involved in scandals big and small, and too often finds itself pursuing insignificant goals.

For example, the racial epithet incident last semester embarrassed the Student Association, the University community, and everyone else involved. But new SA president Jon Tarnow, with whom I serve not only in the Student Association but also on the Residential Life staff, has refocused the organization and made the necessary commitment to be a student politician who makes a difference. And the SA Senate has at times dabbled in the muck of special interest student politics. For example, one recent resolution supports an "Africana" studies department; another calls for a lesbian, gay and bisexual studies department. Yet another takes a stand against the new Georgetown University steam generator; these reactive policies border on the most ridiculous of PC extremities. But the Senate

also funds student organizations, supports campus programming, and keeps a necessary check on the SA executive branch.

So law students do have an interest in what goes on in the Marvin Center fourth floor offices of the Student Association, and participating in the upcoming elections helps protect those interests. For the truly committed, two law school Senate seats and two Graduate At-Large seats are open for any NLC student to run for. The executive offices, president and executive vice president, can also be filled by NLC students.

What is remarkable is that the students of the law school can basically dictate the election of president or executive vice president by a good turnout at the polls. That was the situation last March when the SBA president arranged to pass out ballots in 1L classes along with a clear indication as to which candidate the SBA supported. That fixed balloting resulted in the election of the college sophomore who later resigned after admitting that he had used a racial epithet in describing his campaign opponent, Will Griffin (no model of virtue himself). With only spotty undergraduate support, the ex-president depended on the NLC and the Medical School voting blocs for his runoff victory.

In short, law students can influence—even control—the Student Association. All it takes is a commitment to the University community and a desire to effect change on this campus. Oh, and it also requires that law students vote. There will be plenty of reminders as that election gets nearer. It is enough this week to signal your concern by taking three minutes on Wednesday to vote for a new SBA board.

The Honeymoon's Over and the Romance is Gone

by Rick Hernandez

While the Presidency has passed from Republican to Democratic hands, lurking in the back of every Democrat's mind is the fear that President Chicken will not do what they want. Since the new President cannot possibly fulfill his myriad, often contradictory promises, disappointment will eventually give way to bitterness, and the new administration will fall to attacks from its own kind, whose defining characteristic seems to be a chronic inability to be satisfied with anything.

In short, the honeymoon is over. It had never really started. Oh, there had been many months of wooing, followed by a fumbling, hurried copulation on January 20th, but there were still a great many left standing at the altar, wearing a new dress and clutching expensive tickets that couldn't get them in the door, not to mention those who never got their tickets. When the inau-

guration committee said that their operations would be a model of the new administration, they had no idea how truly they were speaking.

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There were those who expressed disappointment that the new President did not emerge from his first day with the promised plans of national salvation, but most understood that this would take time, particularly in light of that fact that the lips of network news anchors and talk show hosts had to be surgically removed from the Presidential rump (rumor has it that Dennis Miller will be left in, as it would be more dangerous to remove him, and he doesn't interfere with jogging).

As understanding as the electorate tries to be, many illusions have already been shattered in the transformation from candidate to officeholder. Once

the courting was over and the ring was on his finger, it was time for payoffs, and there was no room for romance anymore. The Congress, which had believed it would be an equal partner in the act, found itself unceremoniously asked to shut up and put out. Luke-warm overtures of cooperation turned to stiff resistance as the Congress realized that it was being suckered, a casual flirtation had turned suddenly ugly, and the backseat just wasn't as big as they thought.

President Chicken has shown his colors, and his first major offensive has been to reward a fringe constituency at the expense of the United States military he was on record as loathing. His highest priority was not the economy, jobs or health care, it was making sure that the promise made in the Village People's "In the Navy" would be fulfilled (Hey, disco really is back!) and that his child would not be exposed to the public schools he fearlessly defends. Cynical,

brutal business as usual is back.

The upside to this is that the truth has come out sooner rather than later. By pushing an idea with plummeting popular support, President Chicken has finally exhausted that last bit of the afterglow remaining after Zoe Baird withdrew from a nomination she should never have been given (situations like the Baird nomination will be particularly dangerous for this administration because Ms. Baird's flaws were essentially invisible to them, being a mere reflection of the attitude that consulting with an attorney has the same weight as a moral choice, and that laws were not meant to be enforced on those who make them or their friends).

Yes, the great big joint of public support has been bogarted, and nobody but the President was taking on this one. The political maryjane imbibed was of a particularly potent variety, consisting of the unearned faith of a large

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Thinking About Chelsea

(Or "My Parents Went to the White House and All I got was Psychotherapy")

by Nicholas Ricci

Alright. You're thirteen, your glands are doing the pubescent mambo, and the acne invasion is due any day now. You really like that cute guy in your math class, but every time you try to talk to him you wind up acting like a total dork and his friends just laugh at you. And your parents are really starting to piss you off. Hell, you're no longer twelve. You're a teenager and you don't want to be seen with the old geezers. They're so uncool - they listen to Fleetwood Mac, for chrissakes! Sometimes you just want to lock yourself in your room and be alone so you can blast the stereo and think. Just you and your teenage worries. Only one problem.

Your father has just become President of the United States.

Think back to when you were a teenager. Though I try to convince myself through the haze that time brings that I was a pretty cool dude back then, truth be told I was more likely an awkward, butt-ugly goof with no social skills whatsoever (so what's changed?). I'm willing to wager it was probably the same for a majority of you out there (especially those of you who just said "not me!"). But we managed to survive those years, and we did it by being, well, normal teenagers. We acted stupid, we ignored our parents, we smoked and drank behind our parents' backs (they still insist they never knew, even though many a night they found me incoherent on the stoop), we stayed in our rooms when we had a bad pimple, and we generally tried our best to be on our worst behavior. Those years were pure hell, but we all managed to survive to become the mature, sophisticated geeks we are today.

OK, now imagine spending the time between your 13th and 17th birthdays with spotlights magnifying every zit on your face and exposing every potential act of rebellion. Goodbye normal childhood, hello Amy Carter, Part II. The odds are so good for Chelsea to emerge psychologically scarred that the bookies are refusing to take bets on it. I've already got my medical school application in. This way I'll make a fortune, first by being Chelsea's psychiatrist-for-life and then from suing the hell out of her parents for depriving her of a normal childhood.

THE FOGGIEST NOTION

My heart goes out to Chelsea. From this point on she's never going to know who is a real friend and who is a friend because of her father (True item: My wife works with a woman who sits on the Sidwell board and who has already ordered her child to be friends with "the President's daughter"). She is going to be forced to appear at dull, boring ceremonies with dull, boring people, even when she's got a huge pimple shining like a beacon on her nose. The White House neighborhood is also lacking in children her age; who is she going to play with and tell secrets to, Socks? (As we know, cats aren't the most scintillating conversationalists, the rough translation of "meow" being "are you gonna feed me or what?") Then there is the matter of sneaking around and dating. I guess Clinton won't have to worry about his daughter sleeping around. After all, she's got the best birth control with her at all times - the secret service.

I don't know, though, being around those manly secret service guys for the next four years, who knows what might happen when she becomes a little older. We might wind up seeing the sequel to "The Bodyguard" one of these days (they can even use the same ad line (sort of): "A bodyguard lives by three rules - Never let her out of your sight; never do her homework; and never do any heavy petting with the president's daughter in the Lincoln Bedroom).

(While the editor tries to find "heavy petting" in Black's Law Dictionary, allow me to digress for a moment (me, on a tangent?) to get something off my chest (besides those three strands of hair). All during the recent election and inauguration love-fest I noticed both the television and print media incessantly proclaiming this to be a "Generational Shift in Power," that "It's Our Turn!" and that "This is Our Time!" (the last an actual Clinton quote). I'm assuming all this "we" and "us" talk means the Baby Boomer generation, as they are the folks now running the media and our nation in general. First of all (Run! He's gonna lecture us!), it is pretty self-reverent and indulgent, not to mention obnoxious, to assume your views and beliefs represent the opinions of the whole country, let alone your particular generation. I am sure that among this "we" of the Baby Boomer generation there are those who don't align themselves with the general philosophy of Clinton and the Democrats (Dan Quayle, the real first Boomer to hold a high office, quickly comes to mind). More significantly, while the Boomers revel in how important they are and how they will be the ones who will change things, the voices of those residing in the pre- and post-Boomer generations have barely registered in the new administration, the general attitude being that if you did not come of age in the 1960's and 1970's, then you are not part of this shift in power. For an administration that regularly espouses "inclusion" as its major theme, such a

condescending "we know what's best" attitude is pretty exclusionistic, not to mention hypocritical. Sorry, I'll get off the soapbox now. I know I vowed in the past never to discuss politics in this column, but I'm not above wallowing in the mud once in awhile.

Speaking of heavy petting and rolling in the mud, back to Chelsea. I'm not big on censorship (unless it muzzles people I disagree with!) and have always felt that everyone is fair game for a little kidding. But this article marks the last time I'll make fun of Chelsea. It's bad enough she has to see some ugly guy dressed like her when she turns on "Saturday Night Live" for a little levity in her life (though I must add (really, after this no more cruel remarks) the resemblance is uncanny). I really wish her all the best in surviving this ordeal. And the next time you think about making fun of her, squelch the urge by taking out those pictures your parents took of you when you were thirteen. Then burn them so the people who think you were cool back then never see them. Just because Chelsea's awkward childhood will always be remembered doesn't mean yours has to.

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segment of the population, the unquestioning support of the national news media and the fickle support of the voting youth of America, who mainly knew that they didn't like what they had. The aftereffects of such stimulants on the Democratic political persona are delusions of greatness, characterized by posing in front of national monuments, long winded speeches and comparing oneself with Kennedys. In this case, the Kennedy comparison is probably apt, just without the alcohol and the military service. Just don't let Bill drive you over any bridges in the next four years, and the effects will pass.

Legality of "No-Fly Zones"

By Tim Mellmail

President Bill Clinton has decided to continue his predecessor's policy of aggressive enforcement of "no-fly zones" over Iraqi territory. The United States has inflicted considerable damage on Iraq in defending the zones. There is a serious question whether those actions, and the zones themselves, are legal under international law. If the zones are illegal, then Iraq's use of its air defenses against United States forces is legitimate defense of its territorial sovereignty.

In the aftermath of the Persian Gulf War, the United Nations Security Council called on Iraq to cease oppressing Iraqi Kurds in the north of that country, and Shiites in the south. The United States-led Gulf War coal-

tion imposed no-fly zones over much of Iraq, in an effort to force Iraq to comply with the Security Council's demand. The United States has enforced the prohibition on Iraqi flights by shooting down warplanes, attacking anti-aircraft batteries, and forcing Baghdad to remove anti-aircraft batteries from the southern zone.

If the no-fly zones over Iraq are an exercise of United Nations authority, they are legal. Iraq is a United Nations member state and must obey Security Council resolutions. The problem is that Security Council resolutions have not mentioned no-fly zones over Iraqi territory, nor authorized military action to protect Iraqis from Saddam Hussein.

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MEET THE CANDIDATES



Ben Larkin
SBA President

The presidency of the Student Bar Association is a serious job, a job that requires advocacy, diplomacy, and a thorough understanding of the students, faculty members, and administrators that compose the National Law Center community.

I believe that I have those qualities, but I want you to know that I do not take myself as seriously as the job. I recognize my strengths and my limitations. Experience and three years of marriage have been instructive. I share this self analysis with you because I want you to remember the human aspect to this election. You are voting not for an issue or an idea, but for a person.

That said, there are important issues facing the NLC community today. Topping my agenda are student relations and communication.

By student relations, I do not just mean race relations (an issue that burst to the fore last semester), but gender relations and acceptance of the gay and lesbian community as well. The attack on the President of GALLA, which occurred at the beginning of this semester, cannot be tolerated. We have come a long way with a town meeting last semester, brown bag lunches still going on, and voluntary discussion groups forming, but this is just a start. Ideas I have include a moratorium, a program for 1Ls during orientation, and having the topics for 1L memoranda and moot court briefs reflect issues of gender, race, and sexual preference.

The communication issue has three components: communication within the SBA; communication between the student groups and the SBA; and communication between the SBA and you. The first two areas will be my problem. The final area we share. The SBA is only as good as the ideas and energy that its own members and you bring to it.

There are other issues that I will continue to work, such as space allocation (by now you probably know what is happening to student groups), computers, printers, the library, etc. The stealing that is going on within the NLC particularly bothers me.

Beyond all the issues, though, please remember that this election boils down to representation. You must decide which person you want to represent you.

I am confident that I am that person.



David Levine
SBA President

I have served for the past year as a 2L Representative in the SBA, seeing firsthand the potential of the organization. I have dealt with administrators and faculty members on such projects as the Town Meeting on Race Relations. I know as you do the problems of the school and the SBA— not enough information about the SBA, not the highest awareness of the work the SBA does, feelings of non-inclusion, and the lack of adequate computers, space, and lounge chairs. I am proposing concrete ideas to change these situations.

Communication— Create an SBA Newsletter to better inform you of what's going on in the law school, the SBA, faculty meetings, and University Administration, as well as events and information of interest throughout the University.

Community— Continue the Town Meetings and group discussions to foster participation and communication throughout the NLC community. Continue to reach out to the D.C. community with philanthropic events, and better publicize them in the local media. Conduct a symposium to commemorate the anniversaries of historic S. Ct. decisions, gaining exposure in the legal community. Include all minorities in orientation activities. Re-structure the Inter Club Council as its own independent body to further club cooperation and co-sponsorship.

Commitment— Continue my strong advocacy as a 2L Representative for all of the students of the NLC at faculty meetings and with administrators.

I have the experience working with administrators and faculty, as well as organizing and motivating different groups. I hope to bring to the SBA an energy that will create a better organization that you will feel truly serves you and your needs. On February 3rd, please cast your vote for David Levine for SBA President.



Sean Johnson
SBA President

Realizing that the position of Student Bar Association President requires commitment, dedication, and enthusiasm, I respectfully submit my statement of candidacy.

The priorities of the SBA are threefold: 1) to listen to and address students' concerns, 2) strongly advocate students' views to the administration, and 3) implement programs to create a better environment.

The SBA must address students concerns quickly and efficiently. In order to do this, the SBA needs to be accessible and visible. I propose setting up town meetings, brown bag lunches, and a suggestion box in the lobby in order to facilitate communication between students, SBA, faculty, and administration. In addition, I also intend to conduct a survey to find out what problems students feel should be addressed.

As the voice of the students, the SBA must be a strong and persistent advocate for student concerns. Issues I intend to work on immediately are:

- 1) Public Interest Grants after graduation to students who choose to pursue a career in public interest.
- 2) Later hours for the library. Having the library open to 2:00 am would allow both day and night students to take full advantage of it.
- 3) Additional printers and MacIntosh computers for the computer room.
- 4) New, quality furniture for the school.

Finally the SBA needs to promote activities designed to alleviate some of the pressure of law school. In addition to the current activities, I would like to see events such as a Comedy Night a few times a semester.

I have been involved at the NLC as an ABA Representative, Treasurer and President of Law Students for the Arts, Stage Manager for the Law Revue Show, and BALS. I also work as a Resident Advisor in Thurston Hall.

I have the time, commitment and dedication to do an excellent job. I ask you for the opportunity to do so. Thank you.



Sunshine Hernandez
3L Representative

Hi, there!!! My name is Sunshine Hernandez and I am running for 3L Rep. I am currently a member of the SBA, serving as its Program Director. I hear many of you asking: "Self, what does a Program Director do?" Well, as your Program Director, I have been responsible for arranging all your Bar Reviews each week. I am also the person responsible for organizing the barbecue this past October.

As your 3L Rep, I will continue to be accessible to each of you, and I will continue to work for your interests as I have done while serving as your Program Director. So, this Wednesday, vote for the person who has tried to make your Thursday nights more enjoyable this past year: **SUNSHINE HERNANDEZ for 3L REP.**



Linda A. Hesse
3L Representative

I would like to be a 3L rep because I believe 3Ls are in the best position to know how the NLC community works, what is wrong with it, and ways to go about fixing it. My experience as the co-chair for the Law Association for Women has given me the opportunity to meet a large number of concerned NLC students, as well as to contribute to our community by arranging brownbag lunches, speakers, and fundraisers.

I am not shy about my dissatisfaction with the situation here at the law school, and I will not hesitate to express my own concerns or any concern that any student shares with me. At the same time, I will make an effort to appreciate all that is right here.

Please remember to vote on Wednesday. I look forward to working with you all in the future.



Lisa Miller
3L Representative

On February 3rd, while you're kicking back in the lounge thinking how a BBQ pit would go nicely with the new chairs, take a few minutes to vote for your SBA representatives. And, while you're voting, choose Lisa Miller for 3L Rep. I have been active in the SBA as a representative for the past two years and would like to continue to serve during my third year. As a rep, I have been involved in planning the Barrister's Ball and bar reviews. More importantly, however, I have tried to be a true representative of student concerns. Next year, more than in the past, effective communication and expression of ideas will be essential as student groups are moved to the Marvin Center. Please vote for me to assure that your voice will be heard.



Debbie Kleban
Vice President

As a 1L Representative of the SBA, I enjoyed the opportunity to address the questions and concerns of my classmates. I was dedicated to and successful in my position and I would like to continue my involvement with the SBA.

Student groups at the NLC have their own individual agendas and interests, and as vice president, I hope to improve communication and cooperation between the groups to assist in the achievement of those goals. However, my main goal is to represent the student body at large on issues that affect everyone. Student's need and deserve a voice as to how our money is spent and how our school is run, and I will make sure our voice is heard.



Harry L. Pliskin
Vice President

I believe the Administration is receptive to students' concerns. However, the SBA needs to provide a forum in which these concerns can be aired. Therefore, I would like to put a suggestion box in the lounge; if you have a complaint, drop it in. The SBA will respond in a biweekly newsletter.

The SBA can serve students on two levels: the SBA can serve every student by implementing changes like adding computer printers, and the SBA can serve students in the various groups - BLSA, APALSA, MLL, GALLA, and LAW. The SBA should bring these student interests to the attention of the Administration.

I would like to see students take a greater interest in the SBA. The only way this can be accomplished is if students view the SBA as a listener as well as a voice. I would like to be that voice. And I am more than willing to listen.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Fabienne "Faye" Clermont
2L Representative



My name is Fabienne "Faye" Clermont (Section 13) and I am running for 2nd year representative. Being rep is not only planning section parties and picnics but fighting to hear our voices heard about the computer room, the lack of working facilities, the moving of our student organizations to the Marvin Center for and the general apathy toward our needs.

Listening, absorbing and effectively communicating your wants is essential to dealing with the powers above. If we do not have a student-friendly administration then we may need a student-aggressive organization.

We have two more years to go and the number grade change may never happen, the B- curve may never shift and the library may never improve. However, a defeatist attitude never got anyone any where. Vote for me, Fabienne Faye Clermont, on Feb. 3 1993.

Alan Dorhoffer
2L Representative



I am running for 2nd year representative. The reason I am running is that it is time for a change and new blood in the SBA. I am not going to make any campaign promises like more bathrooms (over 1200 students and 6 bathrooms), better elevators (Hey Jack, is the elevator from the year 1850?), or operating computers (\$18,000 a year for one printer)--but what I promise is that I will listen to any students complaints (as my friends know that is my favorite pastime) and will speak up loudly and sternly for student's needs. One important responsibility of a rep is to be accessible to the students. Well, I attend almost every BAR REVIEW and am at this "beautiful building" most of the day and school work is always second fiddle; thus I am always around to talk and listen to students opinions.

I am not your everyday politician but just your average law student. It is time to give the average person a chance to have their opinions heard. As my friends and my section (11) knows I love to talk and would love the opportunity to express the second year class's viewpoints.

Brad Hartman
2L Representative



Law school studies are stressful enough -- going through law school shouldn't have to be.

Like most first year students, I've been frustrated by the shortage of computers, inadequate study space, missing library books, tuition dollars that never seem available for incidental student expenses, financial need calculations that are laughable, and an often apathetic law school and University administrative staff.

We need an assertive representative with a strong voice for our class. Social activities are great stress relievers -- but much of our stress is preventable if we can get the administration to listen to and understand our concerns. As your representative, I promise to take our concerns to the administration and keep you informed as to their action or lack thereof.

The National Law Center has 447 good reasons to listen to the Class of 1995. I'd like to be your voice.

Please vote for Brad Hartman for 2L representative.

Stephanie Collins
2L Representative



I am Stephanie Collins and I am running for 2nd year representative. I am not going to go through a litany of my achievements, rather I am going to tell you, simply, why I want to be a rep. I want to be a rep because I am committed to the ideal that all students at GW should have a voice in student government, and because I am confident that I can convey your interests in a strong voice.

Although, I did not hold any positions last term, I did wonder if students were being heard. I wondered if the students' ideas were reaching the administration when the decisions were being made proactively or were they reaching the administration reactively, when it was clear nothing could be done.

As your representative, I can make only two promises: 1) I will get your ideas heard and 2) I will remain dedicated to the principle that we all deserve a voice.

Dan Hamilton
2L Representative



Let me explain why I think you should vote for me for SBA representative. First of all because I am well qualified. I spent the last three years as a High School teacher here in Washington. I know how to work with a school administration to get things done. I know how to work with faculty, having served as a faculty member myself. I know how to listen to students and to work for students.

The second reason you should vote for Dan Hamilton is that I will work for better facilities, a better public interest program, and a better Career Development Office on behalf of the students at the National Law Center. If you want someone who will rant and rave and ultimately be ignored, don't vote for me. But if you want someone who will work effectively for what you think is important at the law school, then vote for Dan Hamilton.

Randi Kasso
2L Representative



A lot of people are going to tell you what they're going to do for you as a second year SBA representative. I'm not going to do that. I'm going to listen. I'm not going to give you your ideas, you're going to give them to me. It then becomes my job to tell the SBA and the administration what you really want. So, if you want to be spoon fed someone else's ideas, vote that way. If you'd rather be a part of a real representative student government, vote for me.

VOTE!VOTE!VOTE!VOTE!

STUDENT GOVERNMENT



Todd Krim
2L Representative

Do you sometimes wonder why we tolerate this seemingly apathetic Administration and its senseless decisions on a day to day basis? I do, and that is why I am running for 2nd year Representative. Our Administration has been ignoring our gripes for too long. It is time that they start utilizing our money in ways that will benefit us directly in order to make the NLC a much more effective place to learn. I firmly believe that since we financially support this institution, we deserve a say in how our money is to be spent. If you agree with me, on February 3, vote **TODD M. KRIM** for 2nd Year Rep!!! (You'll Get Your Money's Worth!)



Jon Mitchell
2L Representative

Last week, the SBA sponsored a "Candidates Forum" during which each candidate for the various SBA offices presented his or her campaign proposals. Predictably, there were more candidates in attendance than students. The failed grade reform measures, a woefully underfunded computer facility and inadequate library hours are few of the many reasons why the SBA has lost the respect of the student body. The SBA's inability to deliver positive change is not a failure of assertiveness; rather, the SBA has yet to enlist the support of the student body behind its proposals to the administration. Only when the student body, the source of the school's revenue, is demonstrating its discontent to the administration will the SBA be able to accomplish the goals it set for itself.

Winning student support requires clear, consistent and proactive communication with students. As an SBA representative, I hope to publish summaries of SBA meetings, to periodically announce before class the current status of issues and to encourage students to remind the administration of their needs. If elected, I will employ this approach to the school's problems as a way of helping the SBA win back the respect of those it represents.



Scott Sweet
2L Representative

Empower the S.B.A!!! **VOTE.** I went to undergrad at the University of South Carolina. In South Carolina, I learned how important it is to be part of the "good old boy network" whenever you want something done. Unfortunately, I was never a member. The only way I could ever get a damn thing accomplished was to be the squeaky wheel.

I view the job of section representative as a mandate from the student body to be their designated boat rocker. If any second year has a problem or a solution, I want him/her to know I'm available. I can't guarantee to fix anything, but if this good old boy administration doesn't get off its collective asses and do something, I can sure squeak loud and long until they might just want to. I'd like your support. Scott Sweet, candidate for 2L representative.



Peter Maignan
2L Representative

My name is Peter Maignan and I hope to be your second year representative to the SBA. Many of us are looking to the future with some anxiety and uncertainty. As your second year representative, I would like to ease these fears and anxieties by working with the administration to develop programs which will better prepare us for the challenges of law school and the legal profession.

Recent events demonstrate the need for SBA leadership to improve communication between the Student body and the Administration. As your second year representative, I would take an active role in trying to strengthen this communication. I believe, if the SBA were to develop better correspondence with the administration, it will be more effective in dealing with student concerns.

I will bring to the SBA a firm commitment to public service, a strong desire to incorporate differing opinions and an unyielding pursuit to embrace change.

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AN UPDATE FROM THE MARVIN CENTER GOVERNING BOARD

Marvin's Mysteries... Answered!

Dear Max,
When will the renovations
to the Marvin Center begin
and what will they entail?

News from the Board

This special addition to today's "Advocate", is the first in a series of periodic updates from the Marvin Center Governing Board. We are a group of students, faculty, and staff that advises upon the overall administration of the Marvin Center. Our activities include such functions as recommending new services, reviewing the Center's budget, allocating office space, reviewing exceptions to building policy, and formulating policy concerning building use. This work is done through the following committees:

- **Building Services** studies and makes recommendations concerning the acquisition of needed services and the disposal of underutilized services within the Center.
- **Building Use** evaluates building policies and changes them when needed in order to better fit the changing needs of the University community.
- **Communications** promotes the roles and functions of the Marvin Center and the Governing Board to the University community.
- **Exceptions** reviews requests for exceptions to building policy from individuals and groups using the Center.

- **Finance** assists in the preparation of the Center's budget and makes recommendations to promote the financial health of the Center.
- **Programming** plans and facilitates performances and special events in the Marvin Center.

We are always interested in the opinions and suggestions of members of our University community. If you think you might be interested in getting involved with the Governing Board, please give us a call at 994-1545. We encourage students and staff of the George Washington University to attend a Governing Board meeting and find out more of what we're all about. Our meetings will be held on the following Fridays at 1 p.m.:

February 19 — Marvin Center 403
March 5 — Marvin Center 405
March 26 — Marvin Center 403
April 9 — Marvin Center 403

Don't hesitate to drop in on one of our meetings or to come by our office in Marvin Center, suite 207!

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"We Miss
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THIS WEEK'S
CINEMATIC
ALLUSIONS:
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MY TOP 10 REASONS FOR WRITING AN ARTICLE FOR THE ADVOCATE

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9. Can't remember their name
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6. Have to find a new spot in the library
5. It's not covered in the Blue Book
4. Now no one else will fool around with me
3. Knowing glances from all my classmates
2. She/He has better grades than me
1. My girlfriend/boyfriend didn't approve !!!!!

by Phil Taub

LAW SCHOOL NEWS

Supreme Court, Cont'd from p. 1

long-time friendship with President Clinton. Lupu cautioned that Clinton will be under substantial pressure to nominate a "non-European American."

Professor Laurence Tribe of Harvard was rejected as a likely nominee because of his vigorous opposition to Robert Bork's nomination. "There are Senators just laying for him if he gets nominated," predicted Dienes. Dienes preferred Professor Dellinger of Duke for his civil liberties stance, while Lupu thought that Dean Guido Calabresi of Yale "is someone we ought to always

think about."

Although this Supreme Court term will probably not produce very many landmark opinions, there is a freedom of religion case involving snake worshippers that should impact on the Court's First Amendment doctrine. Dienes is looking forward to a case out of Wisconsin that will address accelerated sentences for aggravated, "hate speech" crimes. "That case might clarify what went on in *R.A.V. v. St. Paul*," said Dienes in reference to Justice Scalia's controversial and confusing opinion dealing with a hate crimes statute in Minnesota. Barron highlighted an Ohio case that may give full First Amendment protection to commercial speech.

Student Found Free From Conflicts of Interest

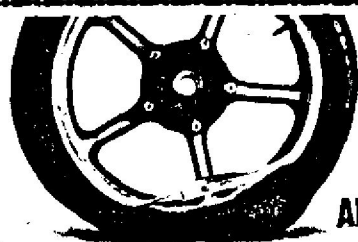
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He added that there was no way that he or Schumer would risk a report of this magnitude on the potential conflicts of one researcher, and thus all researchers were screened quite carefully.

Department of Justice spokesman Joe Krobisky said that the department had no comment regarding this matter at this time.

See today's *GW Hatchet* and *The Legal Times* for a letter from Prof. Turley. The next issue of *The Advocate* will contain a similar letter.

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No Fly,

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On November 29, 1990, while Iraqi forces occupied Kuwait, Security Council Resolution 678 authorized "member states cooperating with the Government of Kuwait" to enforce earlier resolutions demanding immediate and unconditional Iraqi withdrawal from Kuwait. The United States used that authorization to fight the Persian Gulf War. After Kuwait's liberation, Resolution 687, which formally ended hostilities between Iraq and the coalition, authorized the same states to preserve international peace and security in the region, and Iraq's territorial integrity. Resolution 688 then called on Iraq to stop oppressing its people. The United States claimed authority under 687 to take action to enforce 688, and set up the no-fly zones above the 36th and below the 32nd parallels.

International Law Professor Alfred Rubin of Tufts University's Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy argues that the United States never had the legal authority to impose or enforce the no-fly zones. He points out that United States reliance on Resolution 687 ignores the resolution's use of the word "international." Protecting Kurds and Shiites within Iraq does not contribute to the preservation of international peace and security in the region, except under an interpretation that "substantially overreaches the language of the resolution." He says that Resolution 687 refers to peace and security as between Iraq and Kuwait, not Iraq and its population. Moreover, Professor Rubin does

not believe that prohibiting Iraqi aircraft from flying over much of the country promotes Iraq's territorial integrity.

Although the Security Council has not objected to the no-fly zones, its acquiescence does not imply legality. Except in cases of individual or collective self-defense, the United Nations Charter permits the use force only with Security Council authorization. Security Council silence in the face of an illegal use of force does not mean consent. Until the Security Council specifically calls on states to protect Iraqis from their government, any force the United States or any country uses against Iraq for that purpose is an unlawful violation of the United Nations Charter, as well as Iraqi sovereignty.

Iraq has always objected to the no-fly zones as illegal violations of its sovereignty. More significantly, two Permanent Members of the Security Council, Russia and France, as well as the European Community, have expressed concern over recent attacks by United States forces. Russia and the European Community have called for a cessation of military action until the Security Council grants express authorization. These objections, particularly those of Russia and France, support the view that Security Council silence does not mean consent. Moreover, the fact that the Security Council specifically authorized the no-fly zone over Bosnia strongly suggests that its action is needed to impose zones over Iraq.

The no-fly zones are not legal simply because the United States says they are,

or because the United States enforces them. The United Nations is an organization "based on the principle of sovereign equality," and its Charter applies to all nations. No nation or group of nations is entrusted with authority independent of the Security Council to enforce resolutions. If the United States expects the rest of the world to respect international law, it must not be seen to flaunt that law itself. The resulting limitation on its ability to act is the price it pays for a world ruled by law.

United States action is also not proper simply because Iraqis are deserving of protection from their government. Though the United States may be acting for humanitarian reasons, states can and have used humanitarian motives to disguise other ambitions. Iraq claimed it invaded Kuwait to liberate Kuwait's people from their "oppressive" rulers, and Nazi Germany cited the interests of German-speaking peoples as its rationale for incorporating Austria and Czechoslovakia. A rule permitting individual states or small groups of states to decide for themselves to use force on behalf of another state's nationals invites powerful states to dominate weaker states and claim humanitarian intent.

The actions of the United States over Iraq have almost certainly saved Kurdish and Shiite lives. The United States can also act more swiftly, and effectively than can a large and diverse body like the Security Council. The Security Council's slow response to the situations in Bosnia and Somalia illus-

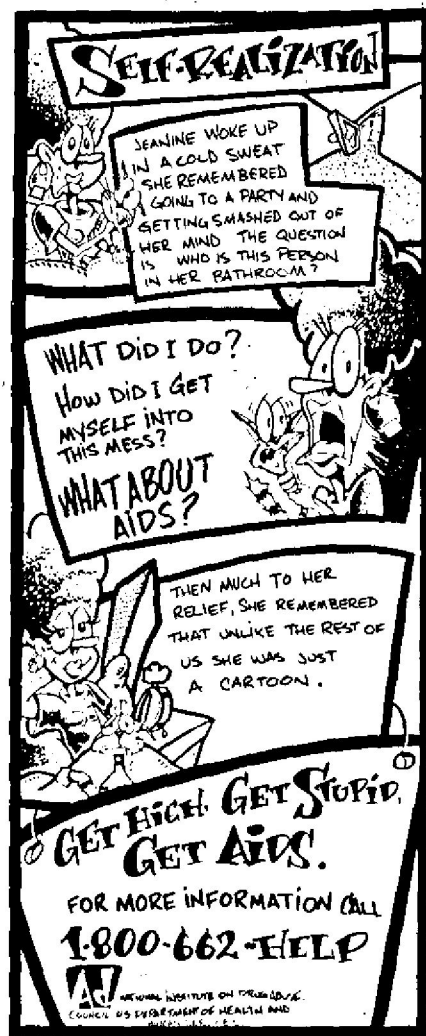
trate the difficulty of acting through consensus, and the human tragedy that can result.

However, effectiveness should not be the determining criteria for measuring the worth of unilateral military intervention. Military prowess does not ensure that a state will use its armed forces for humanitarian purposes. Hitler's positioning of troops on Austria's border was extremely effective in forcing that country's capitulation.

Rather than legitimize unilateral military intervention by enforcing unauthorized no-fly zones, the United States should

push for reform of the Security Council to give it the force and speed to intervene for humanitarian purposes. In the meantime, it should cease military action against Iraq until the Security Council gives specific authorization, and move aggressively in the Security Council for that authority. Reliance on tortured interpretations of Security Council resolutions cheapens the authority of the United Nations, undermines respect for international law in general, and tempts other countries to manipulate resolutions in order to legitimize less benign military action.

Dozens of countries cooperated with the government of Kuwait during the Gulf War. Under the U.S.'s logic, any of them, including Syria, could impose and enforce no-fly zones, or take any other military action it deems appropriate against Iraq. It is easy to see how such a situation could deteriorate into an international free-for-all.



Life Before Rotisserie

APBA Creates Fanatics, Overtakes Lives

by Ed Johnson

In the dead of winter it's often difficult for hard-core sports fans to sustain themselves. Sure, college hoops are starting to pick up intensity, but March Madness is a month away. I don't know about you, but it's hard for me to get into the nuances of a Hartford Whalers - Tampa Bay Lightning game unless you're from those cities or a bona fide stat freak. Many fans turn to sports games on video or computer, or go further and delve into the netherworld of Rotisserie sports leagues.

Before all those diversions, there were the card games. Sports gamers who have moved on to more graphic pursuits often get their start by ordering a card game through an ad they saw in *The Sporting News* or a Street and Smith guide. The two major players in this sphere are Strat-O-Matic and APBA (though newcomer Hot Corner Baseball is making a dent in the market). Gamers tend to fall into one or other of these camps. Since I am familiar only with the latter, APBA is the game I can discuss with any accuracy. (I invite any Strat-O-Matic players to respond.)

J. Richard Seitz created the APBA baseball board game ("Basic Game") in 1951. A diehard Philadelphia Phillies fan, Seitz based the game on the 1950 baseball season in which the "Whiz Kids" won the NL pennant. As a teenager and student at Lafayette, he played the 1930's board game *National Pastime*. He continued playing during WWII using cards he made himself. The enthusiastic response of the soldiers in his platoon to the game inspired Seitz to invent and market a similar, but more realistic game.

APBA was initially available in baseball only, but as demand soared through the 1950's and '60's new games were added. Football was introduced in 1958, golf in 1962, and basketball in 1966. Horse racing and bowling appeared in the 1970's but never achieved more than a cult following. Baseball remains the major focus of APBA development; a Master version featuring more detail became available in 1976. During the 1980's, a computer version was created which undergoes refinements to this day. A version for Windows is due this spring.

Without getting into much detail, the basic premise of APBA involves the reproduction of a player's performance based on his statistics for the previous season. (The cards and computer disks are issued during the first week of February; a sample card is illustrated.) The Basic and Master Games require rolling a pair of dice (the computer version does this for the gamer), reading the player's card for that roll, and looking

up the corresponding play on a board. Different results occur depending on whether there are baserunners and the number of outs. The players receive fielding and pitching grades which also determine play results. The advanced versions of the game also take into account player fatigue, weather and ballpark conditions. Fairly realistic results can be had, even with the Basic Game; rare play rolls permit the possibility of a rainout, unassisted triple play, multiple-injury player collisions or ejections and suspensions.

The area of realism is where APBA players differ - often sharply. There are four prevailing schools of thought:

1. Strict "true-to-life" replays, down to number of at-bats, pitching starts, and games played;
2. "What if?" replays, trying to manage an also-ran to the pennant with the talent on hand;
3. Draft leagues, similar to the current Rotisserie League system;
4. Totally nuts replays, which permits a .400 hitter with 20 at-bats to become an everyday starter.

To serve as a sounding board for all these fans, a monthly newsletter, *The*

APBA Journal, was started in 1967. It often contains info about new products, replays of old seasons, highlights of league action, and a very good scouting report section, filed by fans who observe players over the course of the season. The primary content of the *Journal*, however, is page upon page of statistical info for the gamer. Little of it is recognizable to even the serious sports fan; mathematical and programming tables of use to the Master and computer gamer. Some people take this game a little too seriously.

For more info: *APBA Game Company*, (717)394-6161, (800)334-APBA (orders only); *APBA Journal*, (413)772-0907.

Nats Fan Club News Update

The members of the NLC chapter of the Washington Senators Fan Club recently had the opportunity to view the videotape "Around the League, 1939-1946." The tape consists of 8mm color footage filmed and narrated by Senators OF George Case (1915-1989) during his playing career. Film quality is remarkable and features much behind-the-scenes action. If you're interested in joining the Nats Fan Club and seeing some rare insights into baseball history, drop a note in my folder (3L, the same one where you put your trivia answers). I'll be sure that the Fan Club receives it.

Bats: Right Throws: Right
Height: 5-11 Weight: 179
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Willie Howard, Jr.

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16-28	36-14	56-34
21-30	41-24	61-40
22- 5	42- 9	62-32
23-27	43-29	63-31
24-26	44- 5	64-14
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26-13	46-13	66- 1

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Central to the APBA Basic Game is the player card. This one represents Willie Mays' 1954 season with the New York Giants. (Ed Johnson photo; Copyright 1986, 1993 APBA.)

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SPORTS

DEATHS OF SOME NOTABLE SPORTS FIGURES, 1992

(sources: *Boston Globe*, wire services)
Baseball

Sandy Amoros, 62, Dodgers OF; hero of 1955 World Series

Red Barber, 83, radio voice of Reds, Dodgers, Yankees

Carl Barger, 62, president, Marlins

Joe Burke, 68, president, Royals

Harland Clift, 79, Browns/Senators OF

Chuck Connors, 71, Dodgers/Cubs 1B, also played with Boston Celtics; best known as TV's *The Rifleman*

Atley Donald, 82, Yankees P

Dotty Green, 71, played in All-American Girls' Professional Baseball League; model for Geena Davis' character in *A League of Their Own*

Bob "Hurricane" Hazle, 61, Braves OF/PH; hero of 1957 pennant drive and World Series

Billy Herman, 83, Cubs/Dodgers 2B and Hall of Famer

Ed Lopat, 73, Yankees P

Aurelio "Senor Smoke" Lopez, 44, Tigers P

Sal "the Barber" Maglie, 75, Giants/Dodgers/Yankees P

Babe Phelps, 84, Dodgers/Senators/Cubs/Pirates C

Rod Scurry, 36, Pirates/Yankees/Giants/Mariners P

Rube Walker, 66, Cubs/Dodgers C

Stan Wasiak, 72, minor leagues' winningest manager

Jean Yawkey, 83, Red Sox owner

Football

Lyle Alzado, 43, Broncos/Browns/Raiders DL

Eric Andolsek, 25, Lions DL

Jerome Brown, 27, Eagles DL

Buck Buchanan, 51, Chiefs DT and Hall of Famer

Shane Curry, 24, Colts DL

Hewitt Dixon, 52, Broncos/Raiders RB/TE

Len Fontes, 54, Lions assistant coach and brother of head coach Wayne Fontes

Clint Frank, 76, 1937 Heisman winner (Yale)

Pat Harder, 70, Cardinals RB

Mel Hein, 82, Giants C and Hall of Famer

Don Heinrich, 62, Giants QB

Jim Nance, 49, Patriots RB

Jim Weatherall, 62, 1951 Outland winner (Oklahoma); Eagles/Redskins/Lions OT

Wilson Whitley, 37, 1976 Lombardi winner (Houston); Bengals DT

Alex Wojciechowski, 76, Lions/Eagles C; college and pro Hall of Famer

Basketball

Dan Biasone, 83, owner Syracuse Nats (now Philadelphia 76ers); originator of 24-second clock in NBA

Hockey

Irvin "Ace" Bailey, 88, Maple Leafs W; Hall of Famer

John Kordic, 27, Canadiens/Capitals/Maple Leafs/Nordiques W

Michel "Bunny" Larocque, 40, Canadiens/Maple Leafs/Flyers/Blues G

Other Sports

Clifford Allison, 27, NASCAR driver

"Gorgeous" George Arena, 84, pro wrestler who helped popularize the event on TV

Bill France, 82, founder of NASCAR and the Daytona 500

Denis Hulme, 56, 1967 Formula 1 driving champion

John Seitz, 77, creator of APBA baseball game

C.C. Johnson Spink, 75, former editor/publisher, *The Sporting News*; last member of TSN's founding family

Carl Stotz, 82, founder, Little League Baseball

Gabriel Tiacoh, 29, only Olympic medalist from Ivory Coast (silver, 400m, 1984)

Ramon Velazquez, 96, founder of World Boxing Council

ADVOCATE SPORTS TRIVIA

LAST WEEK'S ANSWER:

There was none. The trivia question was left out of *The Advocate* for reasons beyond my control. My apologies.

THE QUESTION: Listed below are the titles of five books written by former pro football players. Name the author of each.

1. *Instant Replay*
2. *They Call Me Assassin*
3. *Fighting Back*
4. *North Dallas Forty*
5. *Run, Bullet, Run*

RULES: The first person with the correct answer, placed in my folder (Ed Johnson, 3L) before the next Advocate deadline (February 17), will win a Topps baseball card and get their name mentioned in my next column. In the event of a tie, I'll give each person with the correct answer a Topps baseball card, since I can't always tell whose answer was first in my folder.

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Feb. 20 Rutgers, Massachusetts, Pittsburgh 7:00 PM
Mar. 1 Vermont 7:00 PM
Mar. 9 James Madison 7:00 PM

Men's & Women's Swimming & Diving

Feb. 6 Rutgers (Senior Honors Meet) 2:00 PM

Men's & Women's Tennis

Feb. 27 Richmond 1:00 PM
Mar. 11 Bloomsburg 2:00 PM
Mar. 23 Virginia Commonwealth 2:30 PM

Baseball

Mar. 2 Coppin State 3:00 PM
Mar. 6 Howard

(at Georgetown) 10:00 PM
Mar. 7 C.W. Post
(at Georgetown) 12 noon
Mar. 23 Maryland-Baltimore County 3:00 PM

Men's Basketball

Feb. 6 St. Bonaventure 7:30 PM
Feb. 13 Massachusetts 12 noon
Feb. 15 Richmond 4:30 PM
Feb. 21 West Virginia 4:30 PM
Feb. 28 Rutgers 4:30 PM
Mar. 7-11 Atlantic 10 Tournament at The Palestra, Philadelphia

Women's Basketball

Feb. 4 Rhode Island 7:00 PM
Feb. 6 Rutgers 5:30 PM
Feb. 13 West Virginia 2:30 PM

Feb. 27 St. Joseph's 2:00 PM
Mar. 4 St. Bonaventure 7:00 PM
Mar. 11-13 Atlantic 10 Tournament at Smith Center, GWU

ENTERTAINMENT

Out Drinking

with Ed Johnson



A Double Shot!

Getting Bent at the Crow Bar

Returning to this fine institution of higher learning for my last semester filled me with a nameless dread. It didn't help matters that my break was mediocre at best: bad weather every day, and a freak household accident which landed me in the emergency room and put me out of commission for a week and a half.

Things didn't get much better when I got back to DC. The NLC gave me two slaps in the face: the CDO binders added almost nothing, and the planned "grade reform" has become a sham, at least for '93 grads. I was Elvised and Buttafuocoed to death, and to top it off lawyers - both firms and solo practitioners - are now advertising on the Howard Stern Show! All these forces have combined to drive me to head to a bar, drink and not think.

The Crow Bar turned out to be a decent place in which to drown my sorrows. The dark, smoky bar area is highlighted by ornate wood carvings behind the bar itself and on the stairway leading to the upper level. On the street level, seating is confined to several small booths and tables as well as the stools ringing the bar itself.

Beer selection at the Crow Bar is good - a wide variety of bottled brews and several brands on tap. The big drawback is the lack of pitchers; draft is limited to pints at \$3 per glass. The house brew, Crow Beer, is a dusky amber with what I thought was a bitter aftertaste.

A full menu compliments the beer list; beyond the usual bar food, an actual meal can be had. Steak, chicken, pizza, soup and salad are available, as well as daily blue plate, pasta, and dessert specials. Prices average in the \$4-7 range. My companions and I ordered a basket of onion rings and a plate of nachos. The rings were nothing special but the nachos went down quickly; whether that was attributable to their quality or our hunger is uncertain. Service was a mixed bag; our waitress was friendly but overworked. Understaffing is a problem.

The bar boasts a decent CD jukebox with a fairly varied selection, running to

the WHFS/college rock genre; it could've stood to be a little louder. I must mention the pool room on the street level; its blue walls, linoleum floor and fluorescent lighting make it a dark contrast to the rest of the bar. It's a classic and offers a nearby alternative to the Marvin Center for billiards junkies who like to drink and shoot.

Although the Crow Bar holds itself out (at least in advertising) as a neighborhood sort of bar, I'm not quite sure it hits the mark. As a college bar, however, it works for me. Emory grads might find it reminiscent of the long-gone Dugout: a dark, dank place in which to slouch and discuss the decline of Western civilization. (Postscript: This article was written before the SBA held its Bar Review at the Crow Bar. I hope this won't end up making it another Samantha's.)

The Crow Bar, 1006 20th Street, NW.
(202) 223-2972. Metro: Blue and Orange lines, Foggy Bottom-GWU station.

It Takes a Certain Kind to Visit The Tombs

In case you haven't noticed, Georgetown has suddenly become the hip place to be in DC again. The presence of a Hilltop alum in the White House has made the young Hoyas full of themselves in the belief that they, too, can ascend to the position of Chief Executive, or at least hop on the gravy train of government employment.

Nowhere is this more evident than at The Tombs. This place is crawling with Georgetown students and alums. At first glance they are indistinguishable, thanks to the standard Georgetown uniform: a beat-up ball cap (either from a prep school or one of the new suede-billed variety), an oversized sweater over a white turtleneck, ripped jeans and boots (Timberlands, Doc Martens or clodhoppers). The uniform is unisex and serves to cover the baby fat. Younger alums and non-Georgetowners may still try to dress the same, but their look

seems too planned and alerts the undergrads to poseurs in their midst.

The prep school/crew look and attitude may be a function of The Tombs' decor. Crew regalia is the major theme; oar paddles decorated with school colors and mementoes of Georgetown victories. There are also framed old news clippings of Hoya gridiron feats and WWI recruiting posters. The overall impression I got was one of genteel, shabby clubbiness.

Beer is fairly cheap for DC, with pitchers at \$7.25. The food is moderately priced - from \$4-8 - but is still a ripoff in that portions are skimpy. My friends and I ordered a plate of nachos which came with three big tubs of salsa, guacamole and sour cream, but only ten

meat-and-cheese-covered chips. If you're willing to dress up and splurge, one of Washington's greatest restaurants, 1789, is upstairs.

The Tombs is not without its merits, but frankly I felt uncomfortable and out of place there. Maybe it's because of my rural, public school and State U. background, but I think it's more likely because I'm over 23. One of my friends didn't want to leave; I'm not sure if he was getting nostalgic about his college days or scoping out girls 8 to 10 years younger than he. Still, if you think you can cop the attitude and dress the part, you might have fun there.

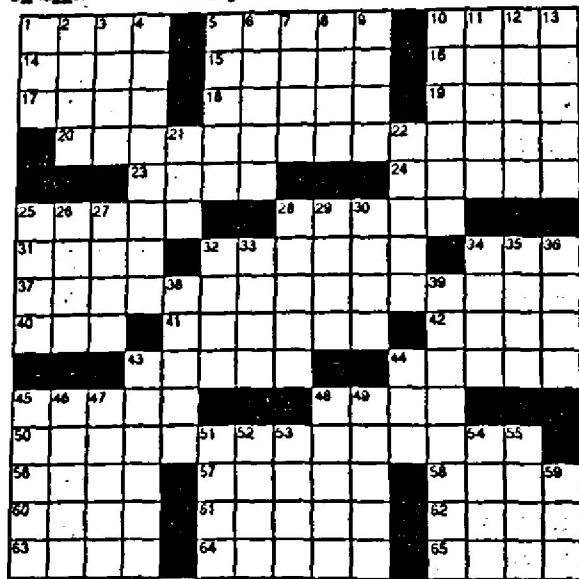
The Tombs, 1226 36th Street, NW.
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| ACROSS | 40 Prepared | 4 Smeltery product | 33 Inner, in combinations |
| 1 Hauler on the highway | 41 State of agitation | 5 Kind of acid | 34 $\text{Mg}_3\text{Si}_2\text{O}_8$ (OH) ₂ |
| 5 Capacitance unit | 42 Salmon tail? | 6 Another kind of acid | 35 Akershus Castle site |
| 10 "I ___ Dream" (1967 hit) | 43 Metallic mixture | 7 Called up | 36 H.S. exam |
| 14 Egg order | 44 Beau tie? | 8 The Egg ___ | 38 Actress Greene |
| 15 Saudi's neighbor | 45 Martin or Miller | 9 "Drip Drop" singer | 39 They're often paid |
| 16 Football Hall of Famer | 46 Quickly, quickly | 10 Painted woman | 43 Play the ace? |
| 17 Jocular Jay | 47 Thoroughfare | 11 Smith, perhaps | 44 Swiss waterway |
| 18 "Cielito ___" | 48 Sleuthing pooch | 12 Twist or stomp | 45 Overhead |
| 19 Marmalade ingredient | 49 Sadie cavity | 13 Vicuna's habitat | 46 Sample the sherry |
| 20 Location | 50 Winter Palace resident | 21 Haul in | 47 Log in |
| 23 City on the Brazos | 51 Proof annotation | 22 Antler point | 48 Piece of property |
| 24 Kentucky Derby prize | 52 ___ Nation (1988 film) | 23 It's sometimes stolen | 49 Secretary of commerce: 1969-72 |
| 25 Skewered meat | 53 The Stooges, e.g. | 24 Adolescent affliction | 51 Stowe sight |
| 28 Fifteenth-century explorer | 54 Now's partner | 25 Ringo's responsibility | 52 Honolulu bowl game |
| 31 Jack Frost's profession? | 55 Gets all worked up | 26 Ms. Guilewife or her strip | 53 She was Joanie on Happy Days |
| 32 Dick Van Dyke Show actor | 56 Cellar contents? | 27 Hanker | 54 Book before Nehemiah |
| 34 Outquip | DOWN | 28 Warrior of 1899 | 55 Peacock's pride |
| 37 Sandspur | 1 Helios, to the Romans | 32 Face on the wall | 59 Rubbish |
| | 2 Green head? | | |
| | 3 Dinner reading | | |



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

EJF Announces Summer Grants Program

The Equal Justice Foundation will be providing summer grants for students working as volunteers in public interest positions. In previous years, grant recipients have worked for organizations committed to civil rights, children's issues, services for the indigent and elderly, and protection of the environment. Students who secure employment as volunteers on behalf of these and other public causes are encouraged to apply for an EJF grant.

The EJF grants are cash stipends and, in the past, have varied from \$2,000 to \$2,500. The exact amount

and the number of grants awarded will depend on the success of EJF's upcoming fundraising activities. This spring, watch for information concerning EJF's annual auction and pledge drive. The auction is always a favorite spring bash on the quad with lots of unique auction items, entertaining auctioneers (your coolest professors), and plenty of beer and food.

Information regarding application procedures will be available in mid-February. If you have any questions before that time, please contact Debra Salz or Rachel Strong (2Ls). Those wishing to help in fundraising efforts or become involved in EJF's other community service activities please attend EJF's bi-weekly general meetings.

ATTENTION ALL SECOND YEAR STUDENTS !!!! (AND THIRD YEAR EVENING STUDENTS)

We want to hear from anyone interested in being a Dean's Fellow next year. As you know, Dean's Fellows are third or fourth year students who teach and assist adjunct instructors in the first year Legal Research and Writing Pro-

gram. Dean's Fellows teach classes in research and citation form, assist the instructors in preparing writing problems, attend weekly meetings with the Director of the program, and hold office hours to answer questions from their first year students. Each Dean's Fellow is assigned to a first year section of approximately fourteen to sixteen students. Dean's Fellows receive the same credit for the course that the first year students receive, currently two credits each semester. Next year's Dean's Fellows will be required to return to school a few days early during registration week in August to attend a workshop on research and teaching techniques.

There are also openings for Writing Fellows, who offer tutorial assistance to students having unusual difficulty mastering legal writing and analytical skills. If you are interested in being considered for this position, either instead of or as an alternative to a Dean's Fellow position, please let us know.

Anyone interested in becoming a Dean's Fellow or Writing Fellow should submit a resume, writing sample, and the names of any professors who can act as references to Dean Nancy Schultz or her assistant Pam Chamberlain. Dean Schultz's office is B512.

The requested information must be submitted by 5:00 on Friday, February 5. All candidates will be interviewed and final decisions will be made, if at all possible, by spring break.

MOOT COURT UPDATE

Van Vleck Final Round

All students are invited to attend the final round of the Van Vleck Constitutional Law Moot Court Competition which will be held in the moot court room on Saturday, February 6, at 9:00 a.m.

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WACO	ROSES	
KABOB	CABOT	
ICER	DEACON	TOP
SNAKE	IN THE GRASS	
SET	LATHER	ELLA
ALLOY	ASCOT	
STEVE	ASAP	
MAN	IN THE STREET	
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STET	ALTEN	TRIO
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